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TOWN AND COUNTRY IN BRIEF.

Local Events of The Past Week Recorded For Busy Blade Readers.

Dr. Pratt at the Anderson hotel Friday, August 28.

J. W. Anderson sells W. L. Douglas shoes for men.

Eyes tested free by Dr. Pratt at the Anderson hotel Friday, Aug. 28.

Bucklin will have a two-days' fair this year—September 11 and 12.

W. L. Douglas \$3.50 and \$4.00 shoes for men for sale by J. W. Anderson.

If you want an extra good cake of toilet soap at a medium price, go to Barton's drug store.

Take your poor, tired, crippled eyes to Dr. Griffith at the Foreman house Saturday, August 22.

If others have failed to fit your eyes with glasses, call on Dr. Pratt at the Anderson hotel August 28.

Take our advice and go to Gardner for your photos. You will save money and get first-class work. 8-8-4t

September magazines at Barton's drug store. Included in these are the Designer, Delineator and Ladies' Home Journal

B. F. Thompson, junior member of the real estate firm of Thompson & Son, is at Des Moines, Iowa, on business.

L. S. Hill of Gallatin, traveling salesman for a St. Louis barber skpply house, was here yesterday calling on his trade.

While attending the Brookfield fair have your photos taken at Gardner's at greatly reduced prices. Every picture guaranteed. 8-8-3t

The Rhodus-Whiteley dog and pony shows gave two performances here Wednesday. It is a good, clean show and worth the money.

Ed. Bruns, who is firing on the Burlington out of Centerville, has spent the past week with home folk here, laying off on account of a sprained wrist.

My residence property in Laclede, consisting of four lots, five room house, good barn and other improvements, for sale at a bargain. R. H. Humphrey.

We will sell Goldenrod and Edelweiss flour at \$1.20 for the next 30 days to make room for two cars of new flour. Avail yourself of this opportunity. Wm. Kraft.

Gardner, the Brookfield photographer, will make special low prices during the fair and will guarantee every picture. No fake schemes at his studio, you get what you pay for, the very best. 8-8-3t

Two hundred and fifty-eight acre farm to rent at once; 35 acres fall wheat to go in; 90 acres seeded down; some corn and oats ground; timber pasture. J. G. Myerly, Des Moines, Iowa. 8-15-2w

A. Messner left Tuesday night for St. Louis. From there he will go east, his trip taking in Toronto, Montreal, New York, Norfolk and Washington. He expects to be gone about two weeks.

If you are going to paint this fall, be sure you use the best paint. Go to Barton's drug store and get the Mound City Paint Co.'s Horse Shoe brand for your house or the Mound City Paint Co.'s Barn, Bridge and Roof Paint for your barn. These paints have given the best satisfaction for years and the price is only a trifle higher than many paints of very poor quality.

Democratic Paper Bolts Bryan

A decided political sensation is caused by the editorial announcement by the Baltimore Sun that it bolts Bryan and will support Taft. The Sun is one of the oldest and influential democratic papers in Maryland, and its influence extends far beyond the lines of its own state.

The defection of this paper, it is thought, makes certain that Maryland will again be found in the republican column, although it is normally democratic. McKinley carried the state, and Roosevelt also squeezed through by the narrowest of margins. The Sun would not support Bryan and his free silver doctrines, but it supported Parker. It holds that a candidate who has been wrong on every question of public interest cannot reform over night and be safe the remainder of his days.

The defection of the Sun leaves the remnant of democracy throughout that region without an organ, but it is thought the paper reflects the sentiment of a majority of its readers and knows its ground thoroughly.

Missouri Weather Bulletin

The weather conditions during the week ending August 17 were generally favorable over the greater part of the state, although the last three days were excessively hot. The sunshine was about normal.

Droughty conditions are not serious in any part of the state, but more rain would be beneficial over the Ozark region. There were no damaging local storms.

The mean temperature differed but little from the normal during the first part of the week, but on and after the 15th there was an excess in temperature of about 9 degrees per day. The day temperatures ranged from 90 degrees to 102 degrees; and the night temperatures ranged from 60 degrees to 72 degrees.

Heavy rains occurred in the northwestern plain and southeastern lowlands. In most of the counties the amounts ranged from 1.5 to over two inches. The rainfall was below the normal in other divisions; only very light, inappreciable showers occurred over a large part of the Ozark plateau.

New Commercial Department at Kirksville State Normal School

The state normal school at Kirksville has calls for many teachers of commercial subjects. The institution will therefore offer without extra cost at the opening of the fall term, September 8, to properly prepared students, full courses in book-keeping, stenography, commercial geography and industrial history.

The summer school closing August 20 has been a record breaker. The school with its faculty increased to forty-two teachers will offer at the outset of the new year unusually fine facilities for ambitious young Missourians who wish to fit themselves for teaching. Tuition free in all departments. Incidental fee six dollars. Bulletins free.

JOHN R. Kirk, President.

Does advertising pay? Well we should ejaculate! Here is a man hounded by creditors, and advertises that he will shoot himself unless he gets \$500 within a given time. A sympathetic sucker sends him \$250 immediately. Having received only half the amount, we presume he will get only half shot—but is it not proof that advertising pays?

LOCAL DOINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Pungent Paragraphs Picked up by Our Perambulating Pencil Pusher.

The next township Sunday school convention will be held at the church in Forker on Sunday, September 5.

Joe Dye has sold his residence lots in the north part of town to Wm. Kraft, who will build on them in the near future.

Several from Laclede and vicinity will move to the Meadville chautauqua grounds today to camp during the assembly.

Ira Taylor, a prominent Chariton county farmer, with his family was here Tuesday enroute to Billings, Montana, to visit relatives.

Miss Mattie Reeder, who has spent the summer with relatives at Trenton, returned to Laclede Tuesday and will spend some time here with friends.

J. A. Woollen returned Wednesday from a month's visit with relatives in Illinois and was accompanied home by Miss Inez Dickhut for a visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Eva Sullivan, who has been here visiting her parents, left Wednesday for her home at Glendive, Mont. She was accompanied by her brother, Ray Weatherly.

A. H. Farrar, an industrious young farmer on route four, Brookfield, made this office a pleasant call on Friday of last week and handed in a dollar for THE BLADE a year.

Street Commissioner Bottiger has put in four more concrete crossings this week. Although a few are still clinging to the old dilapidated board walks—some who are able to do better—it will not be long until poor sidewalks and bad crossings will have no place in Laclede.

Harry White is just completing a big new barn on his farm southeast of town, and R. J. Ridings is getting material on the ground for a new barn on his farm northeast of town. There is going to be much building among the farmers this fall.

Subjects of the sermons at the Methodist church next Sunday are as follows: 11 a. m.—"Lessons from the Beautiful Gate;" 8 p. m.—"Rich, Through Another's Poverty." Sunday school at the usual hour. The Epworth League takes two weeks' vacation on account of chautauqua at Meadville. Sunday, September 13, the pastor has arranged to begin a series of revival meetings. E. M. Dugger, pastor.

Present conditions indicate a lively demand for residence property in Laclede this fall. There isn't a vacant house here for rent now and several families are wanting to move in before the opening of school. Dealers report an unusual number of applications but there are few desirable places on the market. Good schools, fine churches, granitoid walks, concrete crossings and well kept streets are certainly beginning to tell in this town.

Laclede has been afflicted with some bum shows in times past, but the patent medicine aggregation that was in a tent here a part of the past week was the worst ever. The admission was ten cents and it was worth it to those who wanted to see something ridiculous in the way of acting and a travesty on amusement people. The company got into a fight among themselves Wednesday night and scattered out.

Some Evening Reveries.

The best way to extend charity to persons who are in need is to give them work. Don't give any able-bodied man a penny or a mouthful unless he works for it. By this the man retains his self-respect, and the profession of the tramp is not encouraged. If a man needs help and is able to work and you are tempted to give him something, don't you do it. But, instead, give him work. Odd jobs can always be found, and set him at these. We do not advise refusing to relieve hunger, but we do advise that it be done in a manner that will not breed dependence in men. If everyone would do this all over the land, this country would soon cease to be the paradise for tramps that it has been.

A room without a couch of some sort is half furnished. Life is full of ups and downs, and all that saves the sanity of the mentally jaded and physically exhausted fortune-fighter is the periodical "good cry" and momentary loss of consciousness on the up-stairs lounge or sofa in the sitting-room. There are times when so many of the things that distract us could be straightened out and the way made clear, if one only had a long, comfortable couch on whose soft bosom he could throw himself, boots and brains, stretch his weary frame, unmindful of tidies and tapestry, close his tired eyes, relax the tension of his muscles and give his harassed mind a chance. Ten minutes of this soothing narcotic, when the head throbs, the soul yearns for endless, dreamless, eternal rest, would make the vision clear, the nerves steady, the heart light and the star of hope shine again.

Swear off, young man, on guzzling beer; the times are hard and you should save; this vile decoction never gave to any one a lasting cheer. Swear off on jokes: a joke that wounds another's breast is no more like a jest than yonder lantern's like a star. Swear off on selfish thoughts and deeds; his life who lives for self alone is a swamp that's overgrown with deadly vines and noxious weeds. Swear off on scowls that, dark and deep, distort the brows and draw them down: a smile is better than a frown and you will find it just as cheap. Swear off on blowing in a dime for every nickel you receive, or you will live to mourn and grieve; and swear off buying things on time. Swear off on loafing; honest work will make a palace of your cot; but future benisons will not encourage you to try to shirk. Swear off on all that hurts the mind or brings corrosion to the heart; from your life let hate depart—swear off on all that is unkind.

There is a vast difference between a house and a home. The house is but the building and furniture, the outward shelter and gathering place of the household. The home includes the kindly family affection, the thoughtful care and ready sympathy and mutual confidence and trust of the members. A true home breathes the atmosphere of love. A child should be made to feel that his home is indeed a home—the happiest place in the world to him, not merely an outward shelter and resting place, but a center of enjoyment, sanctified and purified by love, the thought and remembrance of which shall be the safeguard of his life as he goes forth into the world.

HUMANITY ON THE MOVE

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

A. Messner was in Bogard last Sunday.

Mrs. R. L. Wells and children are visiting in Iowa.

Frank Weaver spent a couple of days at Bethel the past week.

Victor Pitney of Louisiana is visiting relatives here this week.

Miss Martha Goodale of Meadville spent Monday with Laclede friends.

Mrs. Bertie Staley arrived Monday from the east on a visit to home folk and friends.

Mrs. Jas. E. Welsh and Mrs. C. L. Hendrickson visited Mrs. Carlson in Tina last Sunday.

M. F. Andrews, wife and daughter, Miss Della, of Chariton county were in Laclede Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kraft attended the soldiers' reunion at Bethel, their old home, this week.

Prof. Sipple is in Meadville holding teachers' examinations Friday and Saturday of this week.

Mrs. Kathryn Strickler and son left this morning to spend a week with relatives in Oklahoma.

H. Eccles and family left Tuesday to spend a couple of weeks with relatives in Oklahoma.

H. J. Hammond of Sumner was here Tuesday on his way to Camden county via Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clark are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Barr, and family at Allen, Kansas.

C. C. Bigger came home Tuesday from spending a week at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on business.

Mrs. Mary Meredith of Perry, Mo., is visiting her mother, Mrs. McGrew, at the Foreman house.

Chas. H. Hetrick, wife and two children left Wednesday for a vacation of two weeks in Wisconsin.

Mrs. C. L. Hendrickson was here from Oklahoma the first of the week visiting Mrs. Jas. E. Welsh.

Mrs. G. W. Alderman of Belvidere, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rankin here the past week.

Superintendent Powell of the Linneus schools was in Laclede Tuesday and called on THE BLADE.

Miss Ray Glover visited the families of J. A. and W. N. Elliott at Bellflower and Hawkpoint last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Kerr are down from Iowa visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cook.

Mrs. J. B. Jones and children are visiting relatives in St. Joseph, guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Brendel.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are here from Slater visiting the latter's mother, Mrs. Mathiasch, and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Phillips from west of Linneus were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Patrick Wednesday.

Herbert Allen, of the hardware department at the Model, has returned from spending his vacation with relatives at Miami.

Miss Carrie Cook, who underwent an operation in a Chicago hospital two weeks ago, arrived home Thursday morning.

Mrs. Chas. Hendrickson left for her home at Watonga, Okla., after spending several days in Laclede, guest of Mrs. J. E. Welsh and friends.